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SUBJECT: LARG PUBLICITY RE ITS PROTEST TO USG

REF: TRIPOLI 1314 AND 1315

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF NEWS ITEM RELEASED OCT 14 BY ARNA,
OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY: QUOTE THE LIBYAN ARAB REPUBLIC HAS
PROTESTED AGAINST THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND WARNED
IT AGAINST THE CONTINUOUS AID IT PROVIDES TO THE ZIONIST ENEMY,
IT WAS REPORTED HERE TODAY.

THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SUMMONED
THE U.S. CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN TRIPOLI AND TOLD HIM THAT
THE U.S. WAS PUTTING ITS INTERESTS IN ARAB COUNTRIES
AT STAKE BY SUPPORTING THE ZIONIST ENEMY AND SUPPLYING
IT CONTINUOUSLY WITH MILITARY EQUIPMENT AND PLANES,
"WHILE THE ZIONIST ENEMY IS LAUNCHING AGGRESSION AGAINST
ARAB COUNTRIES AND IS PREPARING FOR THE OCCUPATION OF
MORE ARAB LANDS".

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IN ITS PROTEST, THE LAR STATED THAT THE ACTION

OF TWO PLANES WHICH HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN AIR
RECONNAISSANCE OVER THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT AND
THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL
STATEMENT ISSUED
BY THE EGYPTIAN ARMED FORCES
COMMAND YESTERDAY, "MUST BE REGARDED A SERIOUS
INITIATIVE INDICATING THE EXTENT OF U.S. RECKLESSNESS."

THE PROTEST ALSO STATED THAT ONE OF THE PILOTS WHOSE
PLANE WAS DOWNED OVER DAMASCUS YESTERDAY WAS AN
AMERICAN CITIZEN AND HIS PLANE DID NOT CARRY THE EMBLEM
OF THE ZIONIST AIR FORCE.

WHILE WARNING THE USA, THE LAR WOULD LIKE TO
EMPHASIZE THAT "ARABS WILL
NOT LOSE MORE THAN WHAT
THEY HAVE LOST," THE PROTEST SAID. END QUOTE.

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